

Village of Hopkins Park

From the Mayor's Desk

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Link to Village Consumer Confidence report:

http://hopkinsparkil.gov/blog/category/Water-Department

Check Our Face Book Page: For On-Going Community Updates

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leads the way in Kankakee County with New Tobacco Ordinance:

Working in conjunction with the Kankakee County Health Department and the Pledge for Life Youth Advisory Counsel; The Village of Hopkins Park was the 1st in Kankakee County to pass an ordinance to raise the minimum age to purchase tobacco and e-cigarette products from 18 to 21. Village retail establishments will be notified of the new regulations, requirements and fines that they are subject to, for the distribution or sale of tobacco products to anyone under the age of 21. This Ordinance is designed to promote the health of our youth. Full article in 4/25/18 Daily Journal.

Mobile Homes Ordinance:

Many residents have asked where trailers and mobile homes are legally allowed in the Village. Here's the best advice, do your homework prior to purchasing a trailer, mobile home or the land that you intend to install a mobile home or trailer on. Obtain a permit from the village first. Several residents have been stuck with nowhere to put the trailer or mobile home after purchasing it. Others have been required to remove it from their property after spending thousands to purchase and set it up or face stiff liens on their property. The Village has recently passed a new Mobile Home/Trailer Ordinance that requires any trailer used for residential purposes be manufactured after 1990. Permits will only be issued if the land is within the legal zoning area of the Village. Installation of mobile homes/trailers is deemed appropriate and authorized in some residential areas of 3000 S. Road, Green Acres Subdivision, Gamble Road, Spinning Wheel Road and 15000 S, Road.

No permit shall be issued for, nor shall any residential trailer be allowed, within the commercial or industrial zones on property fronting Main Street or Central, or on residential property within Colonial Estates Subdivision.

If your property is under the jurisdiction of the County, you should contact the Kankakee County Planning Department before purchasing a mobile home/trailer or land. Generally speaking, mobile homes (trailers) are only permitted on: 1. Farms 20 acres or more. 2. As a replacement for a lawfully established mobile home, (special conditions may apply). And 3. Certain lots that are zoned A1-Agriculture less than 20 acres in size, if they meet the criteria of the Ordinance. One of the Criteria is that the lot must have been in existence prior to 1967.

Mind teaser, who was the Mayor when the sewer plant was built. Continue reading for the answer.

Spring Clean Up:

The Village is seeking four individuals over 16 years old from the community to work a total of seven days, four hours per day, cleaning up our roadways and ditches. \$10.00 per hour, \$11.00 per hour for a supervisor. We want to encourage the community to do spring cleaning along the roadways and ditches in front of your property and help your elderly neighbors do the same. Call (815) 944-8313.

Another community clean-up will be scheduled before Pembroke Day. Contact the Village Clerk, Ieshia Shields if you or your organization is interested in Volunteering.

<u>Village of Hopkins Park</u> <u>Staff:</u>

Clerk: Ieshia Shields
Deputy Clerk: Phyllis Goodloe
Treasurer: Kent Nichols
Water Clerk: Lorraine Rogers
Water Oper: Vermell Lockett
Code Enforcer/Building
Inspector: Bruce Collins
Water/Sewer Operators &
Grounds Maintenance:

Ollie Paino Cleveland Brown Jeffery Autman Jomarri Jones

Board of Trustees:

Samanthia Baines Louis Barnes Rosemary Foster Lonnie Jarrett Ruthel Teague Tonia Thomas

Attorney: James Bartley



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Postal Customer Pembroke Township, 60958 & 60944

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN:

In case of an Emergency: (Flooding, Tornado...)

Community's Emergency Shelters Are:

Primary: Lorenzo R. Smith School, 4120 S. Wheeler Rd. 815-944-5219
Secondary Bible Witness Camp 16089 E. 2500 S. Rd. 815-944-5711
Command Center, Village of Hopkins Park, Church of the Cross 815-944-8313

Village Hall Building Rehabilitation:

Construction Bid Announcement:

Bids will be accepted by the Village of Hopkins Park from qualified general contractors for the rehabilitation of the existing Village Hall building. The work is intended to include interior demolition, cleanup, weather proofing and reconstruction. Bidders will be required to provide estimated cost for grant funding application. Please contact Deputy Clerk & Community Resource Officer Phyllis Goodloe for information and copies of required specifications. Call (815) 944-8313

Formal announcement will be published in the Kankakee Daily Journal.

HUGE THANK-YOU:

Free Dog Clinic and Food Distribution:

Mark your calendar.

Next Free Dog Clinic is June 23, 2018, 10:00 A. M. - 2:00 P. M.

At The Church of The Cross 13043 E. 2260 S. Rd Pembroke Township, IL. 60958. Future dog clinics will be held twice a year, in June and December.

The Village of Hopkins Park would like to **THANK:** The Kankakee County Humane Foundation and the Kankakee County Animal Control. **Kankakee County Humane Foundation** has hosted several FREE Dog Clinics for our resident's dogs. They have provided free shots, medication, food, kennels, straw and follow-up visits for over 450 dogs. **Kankakee County Animal Control** recently donated over 800 pounds of dog food.

Village of Hopkins Park, Seeking Assistant Treasurer:

Assistant Treasurer \$15.00 dollars per hour, 8:00 AM–2:30 PM Tuesday-Friday, must have proficient computer skills including Microsoft Excel and QuickBooks. Duties include; assisting with audits, reconciling bank statements filing and other daily activities.

COMMUNITY FORUM:

The Village is planning a community forum designed to give the community the history of our water and sewer system, current condition of the system and why the village and township have been divided over the system for over 30 years. You will also receive information on **Why Water & Sewer Rates may change.**

SOLAR ENERGY:

The Village has entered into a tentative agreement with GroSolar to construct a solar field on the land (intersection of 16000 E. Rd and 4500 S. Rd) formally intended for the State prison in Hopkins Park. Further information forth coming.

Mind Teaser Answer:

The Sewer system and plant were completed in 1986; the Mayor was Napoleon Haney, Clerk; Jacqueline Stampley, Treasurer; Lawanda Perkins. Trustees; Ted Jenkins, Sylvia Gordon, Sylvester Lafayette, Gretrude Smith, and Delphine Thomas.

Looking For A Job Opportunity?

Contact Hope House Family Restoration Center at <u>779-701-7178 or 815-549-0374</u>, located at 2204 S. 13000 E. Road. Pembroke Township, IL 60958.

They can help prepare and place you into employment.

Hope House is currently seeking a high school graduate as team lead supervisor for their summer youth program.